

**AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH
INTEROPERABLE, SURVIVABLE, EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS**

WHEREAS, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) through the National Office of Homeland Security is charged with administering Public Safety Interoperable Communications (PSIC) Funds, and

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security in cooperation with the Mississippi Wireless Communication Commission (WCC) has developed the Mississippi Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan required and subsequently approved by the Homeland Security PSIC Program, and

WHEREAS, the MWCC, by Legislative Mandate, is administering wireless communications within the State of Mississippi and is currently overseeing the construction and deployment of the Mississippi Wireless Information Network (MSWIN), a statewide voice and data network for the use of all public agencies, both state and local, and

WHEREAS, the PSIC plan as approved mandates the use of these funds to establish interoperable communications between MSWIN and local agencies, and

WHEREAS, the below named local agency has requested PSIC funds to facilitate interoperability with MSWIN.

THEREFORE, it is to our mutual benefit and it is our mutual understanding that the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security and the WCC will work and cooperate with the below named agency to create interoperable communications between this agency and MSWIN.

It is the intent of the WCC and the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security, to use its available resources (design, engineering, and purchasing) to cooperate with the local agency to establish operable and/or interoperable communications.

When a mutually agreed interoperable communications plan has been completed and approved, the Mississippi Office of Homeland Security will fund the costs of that plan, for benefit of this local agency from the PSIC funds. This funding will require a twenty percent (20%) match by the local agency.

DATED this the ____ day of _____, 2008.

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SECURITY